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SUBJECT: NEA PROGRAM AND BUDGET - U.S. VISIT OF DEPUTY
DIRECTOR WILLIAMS

1. MISSION REQUESTED TO ADVISE WILLIAMS THAT HE SHOULD
BE PREPARED IN WASHINGTON VISIT TO GIVE PRESENTATION ON
CURRENT THRUST OF AGENCY'S PROGRAM AND CLEAR IDENTIFICA-
TION OF ANY CHANGES IN EMPHASIS PROPOSED FOR NEXT YEAR.
WILLIAMS REQUESTED IN PRESENTATION TO INCLUDE ANSWERS TO
FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

A. WHAT ARE THE AGENCY'S PRIMARY OBJECTIVES IN CURRENT
YEAR'S PROGRAM?

B. WHAT CHANGES IN EMPHASIS OF AGENCY'S ACTIVITIES ARE
PLANNED IN RESPONSE TO NEW WORLD SITUATION WITH RESPECT
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TO DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED IN MANY COUNTRIES MEETING
PLANNED TARGETS FOR INCREASE IN NUCLEAR POWER GROWTH?

C. WHICH AREAS ARE OF NEA ACTIVITY ARE OF MEDIUM AND
WHICH OF LOWEST PRIORITY?

D. WHAT POSSIBLE ROLE MIGHT THE AGENCY PLAY IN TECHNICAL

ASPECTS OF NONPROLIFERATION STUDIES? (E.G., ALTERNATE FUEL CYCLE STUDIES, MULTINATIONAL FACILITY STUDIES, ETC.)

E. WHAT ROLE SHOULD AND COULD THE AGENCY PLAY IN PROMOTION AND COORDINATION OF COOPERATIVE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES VERSUS ITS ROLE IN ANALYTICAL STUDIES, DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS, REGULATORY AND HEALTH AND SAFETY ACTIVITY COORDINATION? WHAT IS THE RELATIVE EMPHASIS WHICH COULD BE GIVEN TO STIMULATING R AND D COOPERATION?

F. WITH RESPECT TO INITIATIVES OF THE IEA IN RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ASSESSMENT OF URANIUM RESOURCES FOR WHICH IT HAS BEEN AGREED THAT NEA ACT AS THE LEAD ORGANIZATION WE WOULD APPRECIATE SPECIFIC DISCUSSION OF THE PROGRESS TO DATE, IDENTIFICATION OF PROGRESS MILESTONES FOR THE NEXT 18 MONTHS, AND WILLIAMS' INTERPRETATION OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NEA AND IEA IN THESE ACTIVITIES.

G. IN A BROADER CONTEXT, WHAT ARE THE AGENCY'S VIEWS WITH RESPECT TO ITS LONG TERM ROLE RELATIVE TO IEA.
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